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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application: Thompson et al.

Serial No.: 09/576,462

Filed: May 23, 2000

Art Unit: 3621

Examiner: James A. Reagan

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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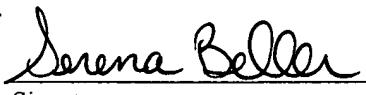
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicants transmit herewith the following: (1) Fourth Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; (2) Petition for One-Month Extension; (3) Check in the amount of \$55.00 (Petition Fee); and (4) Acknowledgment postcard.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

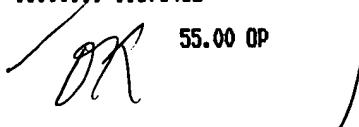
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on September 8, 2003.


Signature

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EXTENSION OF TERM

(a) Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d)) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 410.00	\$205.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 930.00	\$465.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,450.00	\$725.00
Fee		\$ 55.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

(b) An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.
Extension fee due with this request \$_____ or

Applicants believe that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims:	61	-	62	0	x \$9 =	\$ - 00.00 -
Independent Claims:	7	-	7	0	x \$42 =	\$ - 00.00 -
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					=	\$ - 00.00 -

FEE PAYMENT

- Attached is a check in the sum of \$55.00 to pay for the one-month extension fee.
- Charge Deposit Account No. 23-2426 the sum of \$0 for the one-month extension.

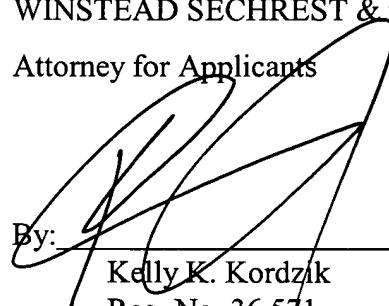
FEE DEFICIENCY

If the check is missing, or if the claim fee and/or extension fee has been calculated incorrectly, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee necessitated by the filing of the enclosed Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-2426 (22851-P001US). **A photocopy of this transmittal is attached.**

Respectfully submitted,

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